

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY PANAMA

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4373

INFO AMEMBASSY BONN

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AMCONSUL FRANKFURT

AMCONSUL HAMBURG

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: ESTC, GW, PN

SUBJECT: POST-SHIPMENT/PRE-LICENSE CHECKS, OEA/CD CASE 9(75)-1

REFS: (A) STATE A-3758 (B) FRANKFURT 3923

1. ALL USUAL CHECKS AT PUBLIC REGISTRY, TELEPHONE COMPANY AND WITH  
TRADE REVEALED NOTHING ON USA TRADE, S.A. STREET AND P.O. BOX ADDRESSES

SHOWN ON USA TRADE LETTERHEAD COINCIDE WITH LAW FIRM OF DR. FELIPE S.  
TAPIA WHO, LIKE MANY ATTORNEYS HERE, HANDLES REGISTRY OF OFFSHORE  
"PANAMA COMPANIES" AND ACTS AS NOMINAL RESIDENT AGENT. SUCH AGENCY  
FUNCTIONS SELDOM GO BEYOND ACTING AS MAIL BOX, BUT CAN INCLUDE  
OCCASIONAL BANKING AND CORRESPONDENCE SERVICES. QUERIES MADE TO SUCH  
ATTORNEYS ARE WITH FEW EXCEPTIONS UNPRODUCTIVE. EMBASSY OFFICER  
VISITED ADDRESS GIVEN IN REFAIR AND FOUND NO USA TRADE ON LIST OF  
OCCUPANTS IN BUILDING LOBBY.

2. IN MAKING REGISTRY CHECK, EMBASSY FOUND "U.S. TRADING CORP."  
NAME IS SIMILAR, BUT ADDRESS AND RESIDENT AGENT DIFFER FROM  
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A-3758. THIS FIRM ORGANIZED AND REGISTERED AUGUST 1974 AS

TRADING COMPANY. BOARD OF DIRECTORS: CARLOS ALEJANDRO BYRNE,  
PRES.; MIGUEL ANGEL TUNION, V-PRES.; DORIS MENDEZ DE BYRNE,  
SECRETARY.

3. COMMENT

IT IS UNLIKELY THAT EMBASSY WILL BE ABLE TO COMPLETE A WTDR  
ON EITHER USA TRADE OR US TRADING CORP., BECAUSE AVAILABLE  
INFORMATION INDICATES THEY ARE AMONG THOUSANDS OF "SHETL"  
COMPANIES SET UP UNDER PANAMA'S RELAXED INCORPORATION LAWS.  
OUR GUESS IS THAT USA TRADE LETTERHEAD BEING USED ELSEWHERE  
AND THAT COMPANY DOES NOT EXIST IN PANAMA.  
JORDEN

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